

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Nancy Woods

Communion Committee: Nancy Woods, Del Duwe and Judi Smith

7:45 Elder: Bryan Stoltenberg  
Acolyte: Tommy Haga

Ushers: Larry, Tyler and Steven Haga

10:30 Elder: Mike Ferguson  
Acolyte: Dane Petersen

Ushers: Jeff and Luke Dubnicka,  
Bob Corso

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Mark Goltermann

**Treats** are given by the Meyle and Petersen families

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, February 7 – 133 (7:45) 94 (10:30) Bible Study – 110

Wednesday, February 10 –91 (2:30) 100 (6:45)

Coffee Break Bible Study – 43

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offerings

**General Fund:** \$6,107.00

(Loose Plate: \$417.00; Gen. Env.: \$5,690.00)

**Other Funds:** \$ 365.00

(Seasonal: \$170.00; Mortgage: \$195.00)

**Last Week's Total:** \$6,472.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN FEB.:

Reduce the Debt in February:

\$365.00

Other Received in February:

\$6,107.00

General Fund received in February:

\$6,472.00

### *Scrip Update for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year* (beginning July 2015)

Year to Date Profit: \$5,724.15

Last Week's Profit: \$95.50

Participating families last week: 20

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 14, 2016

### TODAY'S THEME: THE TEMPTATION OF OUR LORD

In the transfiguration of our Lord, the glory of the divine nature shines through Jesus' flesh and garments in brilliant white light. The disciples are able to see the great truth that their master teacher is none other than the eternal Son of God in human flesh. The prophets Moses and Elijah appear with Jesus to show that He is the promised Messiah and the fulfillment of all the Old Testament Scriptures. The account of our Lord's transfiguration is recorded in the first three Gospel accounts, but it is only in St. Luke's account that we learn that Moses and Elijah were talking to Jesus about His upcoming death. That this is the subject of their conversation, as God's glory is revealed in the transfiguration, teaches us that Jesus' suffering and death is at the very center of God's glory because it is the sacrifice of the God of love through which He saves and gives life to the world.

**Guests—Welcome to Our Divine Service!** If we can assist you in any way with questions about our confession of faith, spiritual struggles, understanding our liturgical service, or any other need, please let us know. It is our prayer that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will strengthen and comfort you. Please sign our guest register in the narthex

**Pastoral Care and Guests at the Lord's Supper** We are concerned about the spiritual welfare of all who commune at the Lord's Table. If you are a guest and desire to commune, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and are not under church discipline in another congregation. In Christ, Pastor Bender

### This Wednesday's Lenten Service:

At 2:30 and 6:45

***"I Am Among You as the One Who Serves"***  
***The Passion according to St. Luke—Part 1***



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**Divine Service:** Sunday – 7:45 and 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday – 6:45 p.m.  
**Bible Class and Sunday School:** Sunday – 9:15 a.m.

**WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD**—“*Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.*” (Matthew 4:4). Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord. Ongoing catechesis—passing on the Lord's Word by which faith lives—is the way of life for all the baptized.

**THIS WEEK:**

**Private Confession and Absolution:** *Sundays from 6:30 to 7:00 a.m., after chapel when school is in session, or by appointment.*

*Call pastor at 246-3200 or 262-370-1189*

**Sunday Divine Service 7:45/10:30:** Penitential Psalms

**Sunday School and Bible Class** at 9:15 a.m.

**Daily Chapel Monday through Friday 8:00 to 8:30 a.m.**

**Monday N.T. Youth Catechesis Lesson 19**

**Monday: Didache** at 7:00 p.m. **Lesson 19: Confession**

**Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study – St. Luke's Passion**

**Sunday Bible Class in Lent: The Penitential Psalms of Comfort**  
Throughout Lent we will study the penitential psalms of comfort. This morning's study will focus on **Psalm 32**

***Coffee Break Bible Study: St. Luke's Passion***

Coffee Break Bible Study will explore the Passion of Our Lord According to St. Luke throughout Lent, even as we meditate upon the Passion at our midweek services. On Thursday's we will be able to expand upon what we have heard and meditated upon during the midweek services.

***Lenten Services on Wednesdays: St. Luke Passion:*** Every Wednesday during Lent at 2:30 and 6:45.

Feb. 17: “I Am Among You as the One Who Serves”

Feb. 24: “I Have Prayed for You, that Your Faith Should Not Fail”

Mar. 2: “The Son of Man Will Sit on the Right Hand of the Power”

Mar. 9: “Father, Forgive Them, They Know Not What They Do”

Mar. 16: “Father, into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit”

**Private Confession and Absolution During Lent** will be available on the Wednesdays of Lent before both midweek services, from 1:45 to 2:15 p.m. and from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Private Confession and Absolution is always available on Sunday mornings and/or by appointment.

**Issues Etc. Lutheran Radio Broadcast on Contemporary Issues** may be heard over the internet at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org). This week's topics include: Cohabitation, The Temptation of Jesus, Christianity & the Arts, The Movie "Hail, Caesar! The Apostle Matthias and more.

***To Everyone An Answer Study— Sunday, March 6 at 5:30pm***

***The Mark of the Holy Cross:***

***The Church Bears Witness to the World through Persecution***

The presentation will follow a chili and soup supper, served at 5:30pm. Sign up today to bring a dish. Childcare is available. All is offered at no cost.

**News and Notes**

**AUCTION UPDATE – SUPPORT THE ACADEMY.**

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Goods and Services Auction on Sunday, February 28, 2016. If you are unable to attend or donate an item, you can STILL support the Academy by filling out a sponsorship form and making a donation toward expenses for the event. **CRITICAL – Today (February 14<sup>th</sup>) is the last day you can reserve space to have lunch at the event.** You may pay with cash, credit card or check. Please make checks payable to “Peace Lutheran Academy”. If you cannot make the lunch, you are still welcome to attend the auction for only \$5. Please fill out a table reservation sheet and turn into the office with your payment. We need to get a count for auction only attendees to make sure we have enough table seating. Bringing guests and friends to bid on items is a tremendous benefit to the academy. Please contact the church office at to make reservations. Thank you.

Baked goods for the Bake Sale should be dropped off Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> during office hours or Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please mark them “Auction Bake Sale.” Please package each item to be sold for \$3.00 or price larger items accordingly. Baked goods are appreciated and are a great way to help with the fundraiser.

***Boards of Elders, Education and Properties***— will meet Tuesday, February 16. The study is at 6:30, business meeting at 7:00pm. Pick up your packets today.

***Family Fish Fry and Old-Time Gospel Music with Mark Wayne and Pastor Bender Friday, February 19 from 4:30-7:00pm—***

Pastor Bender collaborates with North Woods Steel Guitar performer Mark Wayne for a Peace Lutheran Academy benefit concert during the Fish Fry featuring many old-time favorites from the American “Gospel Music” genre. Occasional commentary will be interspersed throughout the concert.

***PLA Thought of the Week:*** Office Max/Office Depot Customers can help support PLA. Their “**GIVEBACK to schools**” program returns 5% of every qualifying purchase in merchandise certificates used for supplies. Academy parents will be receiving laminated cards with our school ID number. Additional cards are located on the Scrip counter in the Narthex. Please take advantage of this easy way to support Peace Lutheran Academy.

## Sunday Order of Service

The First Sunday in Lent

February 14, 2016

### Divine Service Setting Three Lutheran Service Book p. 184

“**And with thy spirit**” is the response in this service to the salutation, “The Lord be with you.”

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.*

#### Hymn of Invocation

755

“In the Very Midst of Earthly Life”

*Choir sings stanza 2*

*Introit sung responsively with the congregation*

#### *Antiphon*

When he calls to me, I will answer him;

I will be with him in trouble;\*

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him\*

and show him my salvation.

#### *Psalm*

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—\*

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

**no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,\***

**no plague come | near your tent.**

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you\*

to guard you in | all your ways.

**On their hands they will | bear you up,\***

**lest you strike your foot a-| gainst a stone.**

You will tread on the lion and the | adder;\*

the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Antiphon is repeated*

#### Old Testament Reading

**Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

The Lord brought Abraham’s children out of Egypt

#### Gradual *sung by the congregation*

*(Heb. 12:2)*

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus, \*

the author and finisher | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before Him

endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame, \*

and has sat down at the right hand of the | throne of God.

#### Epistle

**Romans 10:8b-13**

The word of God creates the confession of faith in Christ.

#### Verse *sung by the choir*

*(Eph. 6:11)*

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand

against the schemes of the devil.

#### Holy Gospel

**Luke 4:1-13**

The Temptation of Our Lord

#### Hymn of the Day

656

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*Choir sings stanza 2*

#### Distribution Hymn

521

“Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken”

#### Distribution Hymn

423

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

#### Distribution Hymn

421

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

#### Hymn to Depart

424

“O Christ, You Walked the Road”